

# 2015 MASSACHUSETTS TRAILS CONFERENCE

Double Tree Hotel and Conference Center by Hilton, Leominster, MA

November 13-14, 2015

TIMES 7:00 - 8:00 AM	<p><b>* REGISTRATION *</b> Coffee, Tea, Juice and pastries available View Exhibits</p>					
8:00 - 9:00 AM	<p><u>Grand Ballroom</u>: WELCOME and Introductions <b>KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: WOODY KEEN</b></p>					
	MORNING SESSIONS - Break-out Rooms					
9:15 - 10:30 AM	How to Build Big by Starting Small: Benton MacKaye, the Appalachian Trail, and the Bay Circuit <i>Ampitheatre</i>	Engaging Youth in Urban Forests – Highlighting the Brockton Audubon Preserve and Morton Middle School in Fall River <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Organizing, Engaging & Sustaining Volunteers <i>Gershwin Room</i>	Selecting the Right Bridge for Your Trail: Sustainable Bridge Design and Construction Guidance for Trails Organizations <i>Cole Porter Room</i>	Designing Sustainable Trails for Different Primary Uses <i>Rodgers Room</i>	Practical Considerations in the Design and Construction of Accessible Trails <i>Hammerstein Room</i>
	MID-MORNING BREAK !					
10:45 - 12:00 PM	Sustainable Tourism: Building a world-class off-road bicycle network in Southern New England that brings value to communities <i>Ampitheatre</i>	Different Voices: Connecting People & Place <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Partnerships (Motorized and Non) for Sustainable Trail Development: Maine Case Study <i>Gershwin Room</i>	Trail Signage: Wayfinding and Interpretation <i>Cole Porter Room</i>	Working with Conservation Commissions and the Wetland Protection Act <i>Rodgers Room</i>	Striving for Sustainable Trails in the White Mountains <i>Hammerstein Room</i>
12:00 - 1:30 PM	<p><u>Grand Ballroom</u>: BUFFET LUNCH <b>Trail Award Presentation</b></p>					
	AFTERNOON SESSIONS - Break Out Rooms					
1:30 - 2:45 PM	Trails As Community Connections: Engagement beyond the Path <i>Ampitheatre</i>	Recreational Trails Program and Transportation Alternatives Funding for Trails <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Managing Trails for Multiple Uses: the Middlesex Fells Case Study <i>Gershwin Room</i>	Trail Planning and Design for Wildlife Impacts <i>Cole Porter Room</i>	Trail Easements and Lease Agreements: Getting Trails and Trail Facilities Built on Land You Don't Own <i>Rodgers Room</i>	Striving for Sustainable Trails in the White Mountains <i>Hammerstein Room</i>
	MID-AFTERNOON BREAK !					
3:00 - 4:15 PM	Planning Municipal Trail Systems for a Healthier Community <i>Ampitheatre</i>	Bringing a Trail Network to Life: Partnerships, Strategies and Challenges in Developing Multi-Community Trail Systems <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Trail Assessments: Visitor Experience and Sustainable Trails <i>Gershwin Room</i>	Building a Trail Boardwalk: Permitting, Design and Implementation <i>Cole Porter Room</i>	Trail Planning and Permitting: The Nitty Gritty <i>Rodgers Room</i>	Practical Considerations in the Design and Construction of Accessible Trails <i>Hammerstein Room</i>
4:15 - 5 PM	Social Hour, Networking, Conference Ends					

